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1. In mid-June 1946 the authorities planned to divide the Kwangtung coastal area into five defense districts, and station in the area 15 infantry divisions, 3 motorized artillery regiments, 2 engineer regiments, 150 naval vessels, and 200 planes. The defense districts were as follows:
  - a. The Ch'aoan (116-37, 23-42) - Swatow District, including Ch'aoan, Jaop'ing (116-48, 23-58), Ch'enghai (116-44, 23-29), Nansao (117-06, 23-22), Ch'ao-yang (116-35, 23-17), Chieh-yang (116-20, 23-32), Kuilai (116-18, 23-03) and Swatow.
  - b. The East River District, including Lufeng (115-38, 22-58), Haifeng (115-20, 22-58), Tzuchin (115-14, 23-37), Huiyang (114-26, 23-05), Polo (114-17, 23-09), Paoan (113-56, 22-32), Tungkuan (113-46, 23-02), and Tsengch'eng (113-49, 23-16).
  - c. The Pearl River District, including Chungshan (113-36, 22-22), Nanhai (113-08, 23-02), P'anyu (113-26, 23-01), Shunte (113-16, 22-50), Hsinhui (113-06, 22-34), and the Wanshan Islands.
  - d. The Liangyang (兩陽) District, including T'aishan (112-45, 22-15), K'ai-p'ing (112-31, 22-31), Yangchiang (111-53, 21-52), Emp'ing (112-19, 22-12), Yangch'un (111-42, 22-08), Tienpai (111-21, 21-28), and Ch'ih-ch'i (112-59, 21-59).
  - e. The Kaoiei (高雷) District, including Maoming (110-53, 21-45), Wuch'uan (110-38, 21-15), Kuahsien (110-39, 21-31), Lienchiang (110-16, 21-36), Suich'i (110-15, 21-23), Haik'ang (110-05, 20-55), Hsuwen (110-07, 20-25), and Hsiying (110-24, 21-11).

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2. In mid-June the Kwangtung Military District Command received from the Central and South China Military Area Command a written message dated 12 June that an armored battalion of 540 men with 54 x 4½ ton tanks, each with one flat trajectory gun and four machine guns, will soon be transferred to Kwangtung.<sup>2</sup> By late June part of this battalion had arrived in the western suburbs of Canton. Kwangtung Military District authorities were planning, when all elements of this battalion have arrived in Canton, to station them in the Maifeng, Lufeng and Swatow areas.
3. In early July the Chinese Communist "Infantry School Number 25" was at Canton.
4. In early July the 4 Company of the Truck Transportation Regiment of the 15 Army Group had arrived in Huiyang, and the 6 Company of this regiment had arrived in Swatow.
5. On 4 and 5 July elements of an armored regiment and an artillery regiment of the 15 Army Group left Tungshan (東山), in the Canton area, and proceeded along the Canton-Huiyang highway toward Huiyang, where they were to be stationed. These elements consisted of 2,000 men, 18 x 60 mm guns, 60 horses and donkeys, and 12 armored cars, each car with 2 x 13 mm machine guns<sup>3</sup> and 1 x 25 mm gun.<sup>4</sup>

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6. On 10 June a small number of Soviets arrived at Tayawan. From 11 through 14 June a Chinese Communist motorboat took more than ten men on survey trips in this area.

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7. In early June headquarters of the East River Military District<sup>5</sup> was ordered by the Chinese Communist Government to organize militia units in Huiyang, Polo, Tzuchin, Maifeng, Lufeng, Moyuan, Lungch'uan, Tsengch'eng, Lungmen and Paoan Mien to increase local defenses and replace troops from the various field armies.

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1. Comment.

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reports the renaming of the 1 and 2 Military Districts, Kwangtung, as the 1 and 2 Defense Districts; this may refer to two of the above districts.

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Comment. Such a tank with the armament given is not known to this office; the Japanese 4.8 ton tankette of 1937 had only a machine gun for armament.

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Comment. Possibly the Japanese 13 mm machine gun Model 93 (1933).

25X1C4.

Comment. This might refer to the Japanese 25 mm AA/AT Automatic Cannon Model 96 (1936).

25X1C5.

Comment. In the light of paragraph 1, presumably this designation was changed to "East River Defense District."

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